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1. SUMMARY: THE GENERAL DISCUSSION OF THE REGIME FOR MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH CONCLUDED WITH CONTINUED STRONG COASTAL STATE ATTACKS ON ARTICLE 60.2 AND ANY DILUTION OF A TOTAL CONSENT REGIME. MEXICO AGAIN INTERJECTED A NOTE OF REASON AND POSSIBLE COMPROMISE. THE SEIZURE OF THE PUEBLO WAS REFERRED TO BY NORTH KOREA TRIGGERING A U.S. RESPONSE.

2. URUGUAY, IRAN, INDIA, LIBYA, MADAGASCAR, SPAIN, EGYPT, CAMEROON, BENIN, COLOMBIA, AND THE CONGO CONTINUED TO SOUND THE THEME THAT ARTICLE 60.2 WAS UNACCEPTABLE AND THERE COULD BE NO DILUTING OF TOTAL CONSENT.

3. NORTH KOREA IS SUPPORTING THIS VIEW STATED
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THAT THE COASTAL STATES NEEDED TO PROTECT THEMSELVES

AGAINST IMPERIALISTIC DECIET. THE STATEMENT WAS THEN MADE THAT IN JANUARY 1968 THE PUEBLO HAD BEEN CAPTURED DEEP IN THE QTE TERRITORIAL WATERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF KOREA, UNQTE CONDUCTING ESPIONAGE UNDER THE QUISE OF MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH. THE U.S. INTERVENED TO DEPLORE THE INTRODUCTION OF POLEMICS INTO THE DISCUSSION AND TO STATE THAT THE WORLD WAS AWARE OF THE CRUEL AND INHUMANE TREATMENT GIVEN TO THE CREW OF THE UNLAWFULLY CAPTURED SHIP.

4. MEXICO IN A BRIEF INTERVENTION EMPHASIZED THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE TERRITORIAL SEA QTE AN AREA OF SOVEREIGNTY UNQTE AND THE ECONOMIC ZONE QTE AND AREA IN WHICH THE STATE HAS A SERIES OF JURISDICTION. UNQTE MEXICO FURTHER STATED THAT BECAUSE OF THIS DISTINCTION THE REGIME FOR MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH MUST BE EXPRESSED IN SEPARATE ARTICLES FOR THE TERRITORIAL SEA, EXCLUSIVE ZONE, AND CONTINENTAL SHELF.

5. THE CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT SMALL GROUP NEGOTIATIONS ON MARINE SCIENCE WILL BEGIN 11 AUGUST.

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